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VIRTUAL COLLECTIVE ENTITY FOR
MARKET-EFFICIENT RETAIL PURCHASE
OF GOODS AND SERVICES

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed from the Office on July 10, 2007, for the above-identified patent application. Applicant enclose a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) extending the deadline for response by three months up to and including January 10, 2008. In addition, Applicants have authorized the Office to charge the associated fees to Deposit Account No. 07-1700.

Applicants believe that no other fees are due for the foregoing papers to be entered and considered. However, please consider this a conditional authorization to charge any additional fees necessary for entry of this paper to Deposit Account No. 07-1700.

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